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Advisory Announcement

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Bristol Bay Eastside Salmon Announcement #30 Emergency Orders 32 & 33

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in King Salmon with an announcement for permit holders in the Naknek-Kvichak and Egegik districts. The time is 3:00 p.m. and the date is Tuesday, July 4, 2023.

Naknek-Kvichak District

Time: 3:00 p.m.

On July 3, Naknek River escapement was 79,000 for a cumulative of 211,000; Kvichak River escapement was 7,000 for a cumulative of 86,000; and Alagnak River escapement was 2,300 for a cumulative of 20,000. The Kvichak inriver estimate is 100,000 fish. Harvest on July 3 was 1,460,000 for a cumulative of 2.8 million. There are 353 vessels registered to fish in the district and there will be 441 in 48 hours. The harvest allocation is 84% drift, 9% Naknek set, and 6% Kvichak set.

The Naknek Section will open to drift gillnet gear for a 9.5-hour period from 1:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 5. The Naknek-Kvichak District will open to drift gillnet gear for a 7-hour period from 1:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 5. The current set gillnet period in the Naknek-Kvichak District will be extended for 25 hours from 7:30 p.m. Tuesday 4 until 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 5.

Egegik District

Egegik Tower escapement on July 3 was 138,000 fish, bringing the season total to 603,000 fish. Harvest on July 3 was 852,000 fish, for a total of 4.5 million on the season.

Egegik District will open to commercial fishing with set gillnet gear for 20 hours from 12:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 5. Commercial fishing with drift gillnet gear will open for 6 hours from 12:30 a.m. until 6:30 a.m. and again for 6 hours from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 5.

Naknek-Kvichak and Egegik district fishermen should stand by at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 5 for the next possible announcement.

This has been the Alaska Dept. of Fish & Game in King Salmon. Happy Fourth of July!

Connected EO's: <u>2F-T-32-23</u>, <u>2F-T-33-23</u>